

Well-Bred Pigs.

The Husbandman.]

Why is it that farmers will breed and feed inferior stock when, by introducing the blood of our well established breeds, improvement can be so easily effected? We are led to ask the question from a little of our own experience. Last winter we bought several breeding sows, they were such common hogs as are generally raised: With some of them we bought their pigs. One of them had a litter of six; the sow was neither good nor bad. She was just a fair porcine specimen. Her pigs were large enough, but as they grew older we were not pleased with them; they did not compare favorably with our half-blood Essex of equal age. Their hair, or bristles, seemed to grow so thick and curl so tight as to prevent the free growth of the carcass. The same sow had a litter of eight pigs last spring from our Essex boar, and it is one of the finest litter of half-bred pigs we have ever raised. It is a moderate statement to make, that each pig is worth twice what any of the pigs were worth which we purchased with her.

The gain from the service of a good thoroughbred boar over that of such animals as are too generally found in the country, is certainly several times what any breeder would ask for the service of such animal.

The little pigs which we have mentioned are now less than three months old; they are growing finely and are fattening rapidly. They can be made good pork at any age. Pigs of the common hogs cannot be profitably fattened till they are a year or more old. The waste to the farmers of the country, occasioned by poor bred stock, is great, and the saving gained by substituting the improved breeds and their grades would more than pay the costs of our agricultural societies, clubs, granges, fair and farmers' papers. We would not recommend all farmers to seek thoroughbred stock. The prices at which such stock is held are above what it is worth for practical farm purposes; but what we do unequivocally recommend is for farmers to grade up their stock by patronizing more generally such good animals as enterprising farmers in their neighborhood purchase. Or if there are not such animals of the breeds suited to their needs, either purchase them themselves or induce their club or grange to make such purchase, or combine with some of their neighbors to effect the improvement. We have several years experience in breeding and feeding hogs, having fed from fifty to two hundred each year. We have fed grades of the different breeds; we have fed common, coarse hogs, and do not hesitate to say that in raising our own hogs for feeding purposes, we would rather pay ten dollars for each service of a good Berkshire or Essex boar than to have the free use of a common, coarse bred hog. We have bought hogs from the West, and have been pleased to note the rapid improvement in the class of hogs shipped East during the last few years. Indeed the Western farmers who have made a business of pig-raising, have made more rapid improvement than our eastern farmers, where pigs are raised on a smaller scale.

Mr. Rump of Georgia.

A correspondent furnishes us with the annexed account of the perilous adventures of Jake Rump: Thirty-five years ago, or thereabouts, there lived in Southwest Georgia a wiry-haired, curly-headed, freckle-faced backwoodsman by the name of Jake Rump, who passed through the following perils before he arrived at the age of twenty-five years: He was first stricken by lightning; then on two separate occasions, bitten by large rattlesnakes; then again, bitten by a cotton-mouth moccasin, afterward thrown from a wild horse, and had one leg broken. But a short time after recovering from his fractures he and a young brother, while searching for their cows late one afternoon, were attacked by a large panther, which caught Jake, dragged him at least the fourth of a mile to a dense hammock, where he deposited his prey and proceeded to cover him with leaves and brush. The panther then retired a short distance, when Jake crawled forth and made his escape. The panther was a huge animal, and had crushed Jake's shoulder terribly, yet he soon recovered. His trials were still not an end. Soon after his shoulder healed up he made an attempt to run off with a neighbor's wife; was pursued, overtaken, shot, badly wounded, and afterward stricken several times with a knife and left in the road as dead. But not. Jake in time recovered, and stole from a neighbor a long-nosed, pincy-wooded pike of a pig, for which he was indicted, convicted and sent to the penitentiary for a term of years, where I lost sight of him.

Wild Bill was buried in a full suit of broadcloth with his rifle beside him. At the head of his grave on the mountain near Deadwood is a large stump, on which this inscription is deeply cut: "A brave man; the victim of an assassin—J. B. Hickock (Wild Bill) aged forty-eight years; awarded by Jack McCall, August 2, 1876."

The tickets to Herr Wagner's Musical cost only \$2.25 apiece.

The Trenton (N. J.) Gazette gives this additional testimony that the summer has been hot: "Probably the tallest and heaviest man ever seen in this country was at the Clinton Street Depot yesterday, waiting for the 3:10 p. m. line for New York. His height is 7 feet 10 inches, and he weighs 500 pounds. Before the warm weather he weighed 637 pounds. In Paris, says a correspondent of the Boston Advertiser, we met on the sidewalk the Marshal-President and wife. His pictures resemble him, but give the impression of a much larger man than he is. His face is oval, features small and complexion dark. In statue short. His wife is fat and buxom, and appears to enjoy her position, and to be—as the Swiss say of Queen Victoria, who spent a summer with them five or six years ago—"a very respectable woman."

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